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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
AMENDMENT

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APPLICANT: Thappa EXAMINER: Ghafoorian
SERIAL NO.: 09/695,116 GROUP ART UNIT: 3763
FILING DATE: Oct. 24, 2000 ATTY. DOCKET NO.: THA-P-00-001

INVENTION: "CLOSED END INFUSION CATHETER WITH AN INTRODUCER
AND A METHOD FOR USING THE SAME"

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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TO: DR. GHAFORIAN
-Pursuant to our phone conversation,
here is the proposed Amendment
Thanks! Brian

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In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2003, please
amend the ~~identified~~ application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A catheter assembly for placing
within a body, the catheter assembly comprising:

a flexible hollow body defining a length between a top end
and a bottom end wherein the top end is closed and wherein the
top end tapers to a cylindrical tube;

a diameter defined by the cylindrical tube;
a width defined by the bottom end of the flexible body
wherein the width is greater than the diameter;

a locking mechanism located on the bottom end of the
flexible body;

a first notch located a distance from a point at which the
top end meets the cylindrical tube;

a second notch located a distance from the bottom end;

a cylindrical body defining a cross with a length defined
between a pointed end and a flat end;